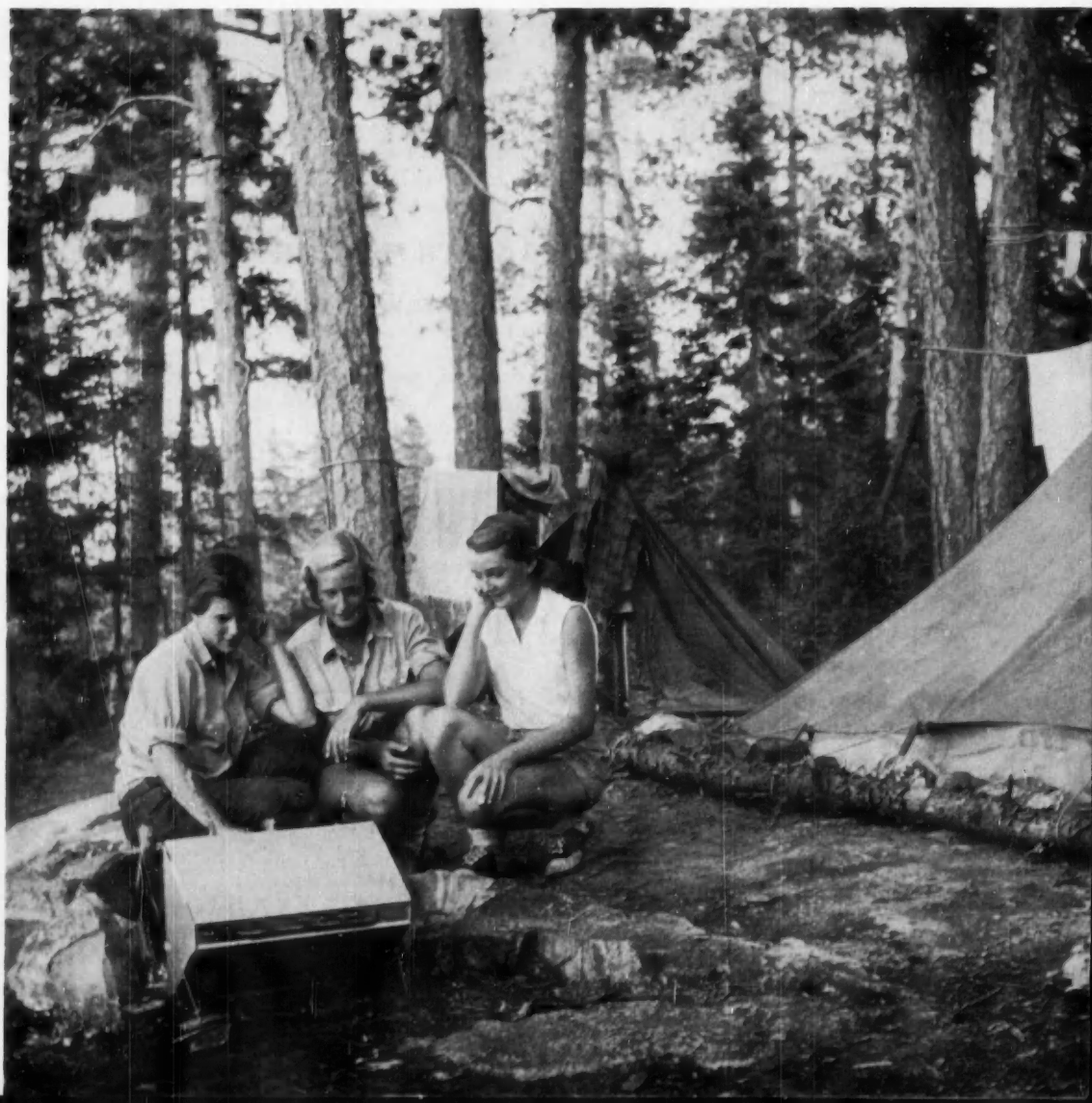


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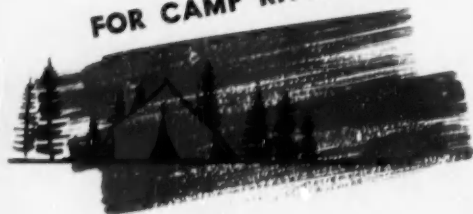
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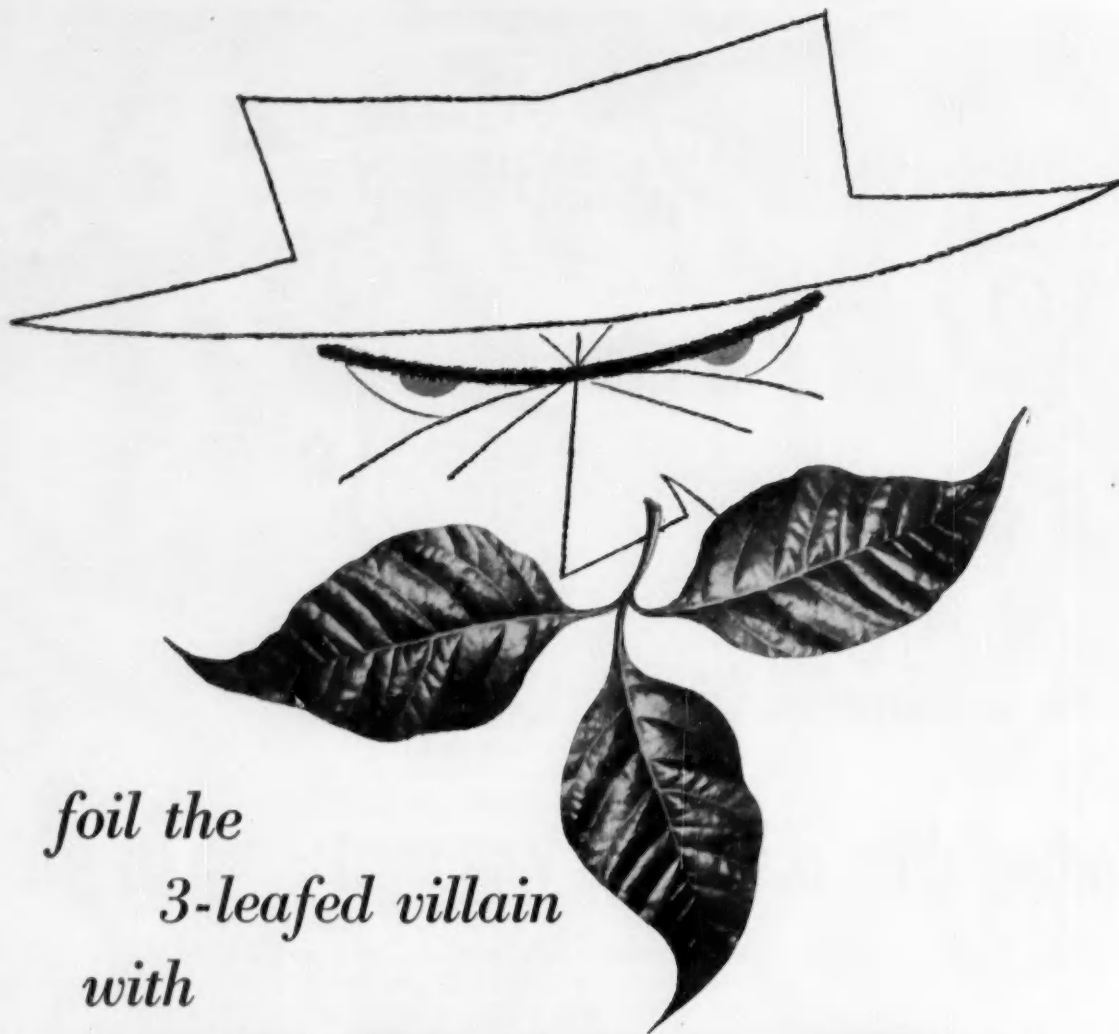
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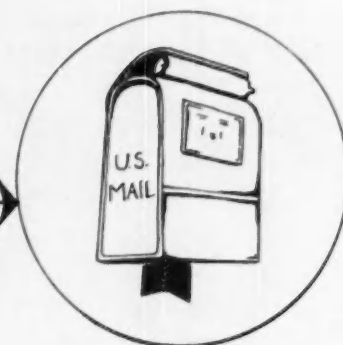


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educational institution, etc., the larger their public relations activities. Big business would not spend monies unless they got results. Big business goes to the public relations firm for the skilled know-how, before they hire and establish their own public relations department.

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—Lillian Zarakov
Brookline, Mass.

State Laws Requested

Would you please forward to our office a copy of the Survey of State Laws and Regulations Affecting Camps.

We are in the process of developing a Day Camp program and feel that this material would be helpful.

Lester E. Kramer
Kennewick (Wash.)
Dept. of Parks and Recreation

Unfortunately, our supply of this reprint is now completely exhausted. Announcement will appear in the magazine if a new supply is made available. Meantime, we suggest you consult a local public or college library for the March 1951, issue of *Camping Magazine* in which the laws first appeared.—Ed.

Hold on to CM

I write to express my appreciation to you for some of the excellent articles in your *CAMPING MAGAZINE* which comes to my desk month after month.

First, I would like to tell you how nice it is that you complete an entire article on one or two pages

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Letters . . .

so that they can become tear sheets for permanent filing.

The next thing I appreciate is the fact of the many worthwhile helpful items, and I am wondering if some of the old articles, which are better than two years old, could now be re-run.

Thank you for a good magazine.

Robert J. Getz, Sr. Capt.
The Salvation Army
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While it is true much of the old material could bear repeating, we feel that similar topics, handled by different authors, with slightly different slants, prove to be more helpful to readers. We'd suggest everyone hold on to his copies of *Camping Magazine*.

Fine Article

I have just finished reading Mary Meixner's article in your February issue, entitled "What Kinds of Arts and Crafts Experiences are Worthwhile."

You are to be complimented on this fine article. It is exactly the philosophy we need to promote not only good arts and crafts programs in camp, but also the use of good philosophy on the same subject in every day living.

We sincerely hope you will continue to put in articles of this caliber in your future editions.

—Howard Tanner
The Handcrafters
Waupun, Wis.

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Director of Recreation and Camping,

Springfield (Mass.) College

Handbook of Trail Campcraft

EDITED BY: John Ledlie

PUBLISHER: Association Press, 291 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y. 1955. \$4.95.

REVIEWER: Marjorie Camp, Camp Consultant

This book has been prepared by the National Campcraft Commission of the YMCA. It is a presentation of campcraft training and program in YMCA resident camps. The 16 members of the Commis-



sion contributed to it, as well as other individuals.

Beginning with plans for a simple "Observation Hike," it progresses to plans for a 14-day hiking, horseback or canoe trip. Chapters are included on camping in winter, woodlore, conservation on the trail, use of canoes on trips, direction-finding, food, shelter and clothing.

Charts, photographs and sketches illustrate the text. Menus, equipment lists and even a film biography are all included.

YMCA camps tested this "units of experience" plan and it is now available to others through this Handbook.

The Church Day Camp

PUBLISHER: Committee of Children's Work and Special Com-

mittee on Camps and Conferences, National Council of Churches of Christ, 257-4th Ave., New York City. 1955. 60¢.

REVIEWER: Preston Zimmerman, Chairman, ACA Day Camp Committee

This mimeographed pamphlet of 48 pages seems to represent an effort to do two things: first, to sell day camping as a desirable program for religious education; second, to give as much orientation and practical knowledge as possible to those interested in carrying out such a program.

The book emphasizes the values to religious education of the outdoor environment and learning to live together. It points out that through day camping, the church can reach individuals with whom it would otherwise have no contact.

The general philosophy of the pamphlet is consistent with what may be considered the current philosophy of day camping. The emphasis is on the small group, the "home in the woods" idea, joint counselor-camper program planning, and program related to an outdoor setting.

Good Counselors Make Good Camps

AUTHOR: Fanchon Hamilton

PUBLISHER: Girl Scouts of the U.S. A., 155 E. 44 St., New York 17. 1955. 35¢.

This little volume provides basic information that will be helpful to anyone responsible for recruiting, training or supervising camp personnel. Most useful will be the section on the responsibilities and qualifications of staff, and that on determining personnel practices.

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Book Reviews

The Trail of the Red Canoe

AUTHOR: Margaret Govan
PUBLISHER: J. M. Dent & Sons,
Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada,
1954, \$2.00.

REVIEWER: Barbara Ellen Joy, The
Joy Camps, Hazelhurst, Wis.

Directors of girls' camps who are looking for fiction stories with a "campy" background and content, will find this book by a Canadian camp director worthy of consideration in adding to their camp libraries. Naturally, it has the "Mystery" element, excitement, etc., but included in the text are good ideas about camping out. It is laid in Algonquin Park.

Power Tennis

AUTHOR: Maureen Connolly
PUBLISHER: A. S. Barnes & Co.,
232 Madison Ave., New York
16, 1954, \$3.00.

REVIEWER: Harriet Stewart, Ohio
Wesleyan University

This is a book all tennis counselors will want in the camp library. In fact all teachers of tennis will



want to make this book available to persons interested in tennis. The many, many photographs by Roger Wrenn will attract campers and students interested in tennis. The pictures are full of action and cover all the various techniques of the game of tennis.

Miss Connolly describes briefly how to execute the strokes and gives suggestions about each one. The material on singles and doubles strategy is especially good. Other topics covered briefly include basic rules, clothing and equipment, and the doubles game.

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Group Fun, Games and Activities for Girls—Techniques for Leaders

AUTHOR: Catherine Conway Reiley
PUBLISHER: Dodd, Mead & Co.,
432 Fourth Ave., New York 16,
1954, \$3.95.

REVIEWER: Marjorie Camp, The
Joy Camps, Hazelhurst, Wis.

This book contains good material on the theory and practice of leadership with girls, and a great variety of material about activities girls

will enjoy doing and will profit from. The profuse illustrations by Margaret Dieckerhoff are helpful and interesting.

Chapters of special interest to campers are those on music, games, dancing and dramatics, arts and crafts, hiking and such outdoor activities as cooking, crafts, nature and conservation. The chapter on camping gives careful thought to preparation during the months preceding the camping experience, and to the details of carrying out a good

program in camp. The portions on compass work are excellent.

All who have groups of girls in their charge, either in a city group or in an established camp should find this book very useful.

The Mammal Guide

AUTHOR: Ralph S. Palmer
PUBLISHER: Doubleday & Co., Inc.,
575 Madison Ave., New York
22, \$4.95.

REVIEWER: Charles F. Weckwerth

"What animal track is this?" is perhaps one of the questions common to many camp settings. "What kinds of bats do we have in our geographic area?" "Who are the flesh eating animals of North America?" "What does a lemming look like?" "How many kinds of chipmunks are common to North America?"

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Short Plays for All-boy Casts

AUTHOR: Vernon Howard
PUBLISHER: Plays, Inc., 8 Arlington St., Boston 16. \$3.00, 1954.
REVIEWER: Barbara Ellen Joy, Wausau, Wis.

This book is seemingly a companion piece for "One-act Plays for All-girl Casts," by Marjorie Paradis, and published by the same company in 1952, at the price of \$2.50.

The 30 royalty-free comedies and skits have plenty of action and witty dialogue. The parts are not hard to learn, and a minimum of properties is required, so that the plays may be staged simply and without much expense.

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A flight arrow should be used on the first shot to enable the archer to get the greatest distance from his bow. A flight arrow is generally a tapered, aluminum shaft with small plastic veins or feathers.

Approach arrows may be target arrows with original tips, but a long needle-like tip is preferred. For putting or holing out, a standard target arrow may also be used, but here again an arrow with a great amount of

spiral in the feathers to make it spin and not travel too far, if the ball is missed, is desired.

An arrow that lands within 30 inches of the ball is called a hit and the archer need not shoot again to dislodge the ball. Low score wins as in golf.

—Dorothy L. Hoza and
John Dianiska



Archer "holing out"

Awake and Sing

THIS little idea comes all the way from Belgium where it was used in a children's camp there.

When it was time to awaken the camp to start the day, the director stood on the porch of the main building, which overlooked the sleeping cabins, and blew

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a few notes on a horn. This was followed by singing out a few single notes, like a bugle call, the beginning of a favorite camp song.

The singing was then taken up and echoed in the other cabins about camp, until everyone was awake and singing.

—Alice Kramer
YWCA, Norristown, Pa.

Recipe for Rest Hour

IN DAY CAMPING, where there is often a lack of physical facilities to make a well-supervised rest period possible, we have a most positive approach to this problem.

Instead of demanding that campers take a concentrated period for rest, we have what is called a noon-day program. This program is put on by the counselors

To Each His Own

THE INTEREST in "Nature Rambles," as we call our nature activities, became so developed last summer that we had to build a small building for them with a library, a place for cages for animals and insects, and outside a plot of ground where the boys kept their plants.

We encouraged each boy to have an animal to take care of his entire time at camp. This included feeding him and knowing something about his habits and living.

Campers were always eager to show off their charges to others.

—Odis B. Hinnant
YMCA Camp Immokalee
Jacksonville, Fla.

Eliminate Those Lost Articles!

WE HAVE WORKED out a system that practically eliminates lost articles!

Two weeks before the camper is to entrain for camp, we mail, along with the medical form, stickers with the camp name printed and the camper's name typed, for trunks and duffle bags. We include also a 6 by 9 manila envelope with the camper's name typed at the top. Listed below are the following, with a space to check after each article: round trip ticket, duffle bag and trunk check numbers, keys, medical form, clothes list, permission to leave camp, telephone permission, tuition check, and additional articles.

Parents write the numbers of the baggage checks and check the other articles in the envelope, before returning it to us in a larger, self-addressed envelope sent for that purpose.

This system enables us to pick up baggage, put it into the right cabin, unlock duffle bags and make beds, and keep keys and other articles safely in each camper's envelope throughout the summer.

The envelopes are filed in the camp office, and any camper may get his key in the event his trunk is accidentally locked. Clothes lists are available to be hand-

entirely. It is usually a spectator type program from the standpoint of the camper.

As soon as lunch is over, all campers come to the council ring (though groups may be excused from the program with permission.) There counselors may demonstrate how to saddle, feed and mount a horse; archery, axemanship; and other related camping demonstrations.

The program is one that the campers really look forward to and provides 30 to 45 minutes of relaxation each day.

—Frank Kiehne, Jr.
YMCA, Kansas City, Mo.



ed to the counselor when the camper is to pack, tickets are ready for making reservations and getting baggage checks for the trip home, and valuables are checked in the same envelope from time to time.

At the close of camp, the same envelope is handed to the camper as he boards the train. In it are new baggage checks, ticket, and money necessary for the trip home.

We have found that parents appreciate the thoroughness, and counselors the relief, of responsibility for collecting these articles from their campers after their arrival in camp.

—Mrs. Louis Lester
Camp Appalachia, Covington, Va.

TO CONTROL blood suckers at your camp waterfront, try placing salt blocks, of the type that are put out in pastures to feed stock, at ten foot intervals around the swim area.

—Anne M. McWeeney
American Red Cross
Nashua, N. H.

A Painless Parent's Weekend



Horse Show for parents at Waukeela

OUR PARENT'S WEEKEND has proved to be a happy event for children and parents who look forward to taking part of their vacation with us each year.

We try to avoid a tiring program for the parents, who may not be used to walking or exercising.

On Saturday morning, about 10:30, we invite parents to watch an introductory program around the flag pole. After a welcoming talk by the director, and introduction to various members of the staff, campers march to the flag, while a bugle blows. The flag is raised, a poem recited, and our National Anthem sung. Then we are off to a program of various types of songs—

pep songs, rounds, action songs, and serious camp songs.

Then we take our parents around camp, showing them how we can shoot an arrow, ride a horse, row a boat; we give them a glimpse of what we have made in arts and crafts and campcraft.

While campers lunch at camp, parents eat at the local church, with food served by local women. After a rest hour for all, we then go on to a water exhibition for demonstrations of Red Cross Life Saving, form swimming, diving and synchronized swimming.

Then a swim for all, and an opportunity to see the youngster's progress.

After some rest and relaxation for the parents, either at camp or back at their hotel, they are invited for supper, held outdoors, if weather permits.

In the evening, we present a stage performance with everyone taking part.

On Sunday, campers hold their outdoor service, to which all parents are invited. All depart then for dinner with their parents. They return by four o'clock, and parents are encouraged to leave at once.

—Hope Allen
Waukeela Camp
Eaton Center, N. H.

Let them

Learn by Looking

IT IS OUR belief that children learn many interesting things, and develop hobbies just by leisurely looking at various exhibits and displays that are set up and left about for them to observe.

The photograph shows an exhibit of shells, butterflies, and a board given over to birds. One subject was so treated each week, and it was usually supported by an additional exhibit on the table, with occasional support of books from our library.

As shown in the photograph, the Mexican tray, at right, contains all the paraphernalia used in mounting butterflies, with a typed card explaining each piece of equipment and the methods used. The display board near the tray contains two specimens of common butterflies then at the camp site. The shell collection is supported by a key, on which are drawn the shapes of the shells, with name under each.

The bird print is an original Alexander Wilson, and the printed pages above contain an article about Mr. Wilson, taken from "Audubon Magazine."

The photograph under the pine is a prize one taken by a seven year old member of the Camera Club.

All these were left up for about a week, when a new set of interesting things replaced it.

—Barbara Ellen Joy



Howard M. Shawl, Photographer

Cool Clear Water

DURING CAMPING trips, campers must often get water from lakes or streams.

To strain out any floating sticks or leaves, it is a simple matter to punch a row of holes just below the rim of your dip bucket. Lower the pail into the water until all holes are covered and allow water to fill in through the holes.

—G. D. Lynch

Eat and Run . . .

ON WEDNESDAY supper hour, we have a picnic each week. Occasionally, we found a progressive supper interesting and different.

Soup or fruit juice, according to the weather, was served at one part of the camp. At our Gypsy cookout place, hamburgers, frankfurters, toasted cheese sand-

wiches, or some other thing which can be cooked, formed the main portion of the meal.

At another section, usually a large screened porch at senior camp, the salads were set out. Dessert, which may be ice cream or fruit, was served on the dining room porch.

The evening closed with fires on the beach, with toasted marshmallows, games and a sing.

—Beatrice A. Hunt
Camp Cowasset,
North Falmouth, Mass.

Thunder on the Roof Top

Hughes Photo



Thunderbirds playing "Thunder Ball"

EVERY BOY at one time or another throws a ball upon a roof and makes a game of it. Our boys have formalized a set of rules for "Thunder Ball" and have made it one of our most popular odd moment games, a filler between sessions or programs, a tournament game for all ages and sizes.

The game is played with a ten inch soft rubber playground ball. Any sloped roof in camp may be used.

I believe the value of the game far offsets the slight abuse of the roof. (The rubber ball may loosen some

granules in the shingles, but no apparent damage can be discerned after five years of use on one building.)

We play the game on six or seven cabins at camp but a couple better located roofs have become our tournament areas.

Thunder Ball Rules

1. Any number of players from two up may play and each in turn is eliminated if he misses or fails to return ball to roof properly.

2. Most campers play elimination, but team games by cabins or villages may be played with slight variations of the rules. In team play instead of elimination, a score of ten misses is game.

3. Players line up for game in single file formation.

4. Ball is returned to roof by striking or hitting ball with hands only. One try only is permitted. One or both hands may be used to hit ball.

5. If roof is low, ball may not be caught or dragged down by the taller boys, but may be pushed to either side or upward while ball is still on roof.

6. If ball is not returned to roof but had bounced in air from the first player's hands, next player on team in line may save player who did not return ball to roof. Ball cannot touch the ground.

7. If roof is too large, boundary lines on the roof and ground may be established.

8. If ball goes over the roof the player who hit it is eliminated. If it touches the ground or goes out of boundary lines, player causing it to do so is eliminated.

9. No person may enter game while in progress.

10. If any above rules are violated the player is out of the game.

—Gene H. Altman
Camp Thunderbird, Bemidji, Minn.

Going

Going

Gone!

FOR AN EXCELLENT evening program, try this "Auction" idea.

With only a few hours notice, campers are told to have an object (value dare not exceed 10¢) ready to

auction. Each is allowed two minutes to "sell" his object.

Each camper is given 100 beans for "money," and prizes are awarded for the best sales talk and the largest number of accumulated beans.

Idea is to use a clever talk to sell a simple object. For instance, we have sold two banana skins as "easy slippers," and an egg as a "complete chicken dinner."

—Charles P. Erdmann
Camp Voyageur
Ely, Minn.

Raccoon Makes Good Pet



"Jackie" and friend

OUR PET RACCOON "Jackie" was found one evening alone and very hungry, apparently lost from the rest of his family. He was brought back into camp where he was fed and properly handled by an older camper.

Within two days, he was friendly with everyone and made no attempt to go away. He would hitch-hike a ride about camp on the shoulder of anyone who offered a ride, or lumber along behind like a little bear.

The call of the wild would occasionally take him back into the woods but in a day or two he would return exhausted and starving.

His favorite food at first was milk or bread and milk. Then he became fond of raw beef or fish served in a pan of water, because raccoons have no salivary glands and must therefore dip their solid food in water before eating. Hence, they have long been credited with being so clean they must first wash their food. On the last occasion when he took to the woods, he returned so exhausted that we feared he would not live, but a raw egg or two quickly revived him.

—C. H. Klippel
YMCA Camp Alfred L. Willson
Columbus, Ohio

Encourage Campers to Plant Seedlings

PLANTING SEEDLINGS is a most effective way of encouraging forestry conservation around your camp.

Tree seedlings may be secured from your state conservation department at low cost, or in some states, free. To plant them effectively, have campers work in pairs.

First camper makes hole with mattock, and second places seedling in hole, spreading out rootlets, and replaces sod around plant. He then stands up, hardens the dirt with his heel, and is ready to set in the next seedling.

—William Hillcourt
"Scouting Magazine"



Photo Courtesy "Scouting" Magazine

OUR HARMONICA band has been very popular and the campers have enjoyed learning to use them for an evening entertainment feature. The music counselor has charge of teaching this part of the program as well as supervising the choir, arranging song contests and putting on an operetta. Our music is a relaxing and happy feature in a busy schedule.

—Beatrice A. Hunt
Camp Cowasset
North Falmouth, Mass.

Going Fishing the "Safe" Way

HERE'S AN IDEA to protect fish hooks while in storage or before you give them out to campers.

A vacuum bottle cork, hollowed out, with hooks securely fastened to the top from the inside, will keep them from rolling around and becoming dangerous.

And, try putting a piece of masking tape or black friction tape near the bottom of the fishing pole into which to tuck the tip of the fish hook while the camper carries it to and from the fishing hole.

—from "The Woodpile"
Michigan Section, ACA

New Slant on Brotherhood in Unique Vesper Service

ALL BOYS AT our camp got a new slant on brotherhood through a unique vesper service last summer. On the camp staff were a counselor from Japan, another from Germany, another from Denmark, and a fourth whose parents were from Greece and who spoke Greek himself. The German, who had been a Russian prisoner during the war and was now a Fulbright Scholar in America, gave a short talk on Brotherhood, during which time the representatives of other countries sat at the front of the chapel with him.

After the talk, the Camp Director, who was American-born, read one by one the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. As he read each statement in English, one at a time the foreign counselors repeated the statement in their native language—German, Japanese, Danish, and Greek. Even the smallest boy couldn't help but get the point—men of all nations and languages believe many of the same

things. The Declarations go something like this:

1. Every person has the right to life, liberty, and security.

2. All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.

3. Every person has the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and religion.

4. Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well being of himself and his family.

Everyone seemed to feel this was the most impressive Vesper service of the season.

—Andrew Katsanis
Camp Mishawaka
Grand Rapids, Minn.

Conservation Day in Camp



"Is it animal, vegetable, or mineral?"

EVERY OTHER summer for six years, we have had a special "Conservation Day," on which six men from our State Department of Conservation visit the camp. They bring with them a complete fire-fighting truck with tractor, and various visual aides to support the "lecture" parts of the program. The men stay for dinner, each man going to a different table.

The District Ranger is in charge of the group, and he plans the program very carefully. Each man gives talks, illustrating them with stuffed native animals (and sometimes live ones,) specimens of fish, casting equipment, and up-to-date visual aides. Once, the famous Smokey Bear came along, and what a hit he made with the campers.

We think it is very important for our children not only to learn more about the specified subjects these experts can handle so well, but also to realize the broad coverage the Conservation Department has and to understand the magnificent work they are doing to protect and conserve the forests and wildlife.

—Barbara Ellen Joy

Sprinkle Your Camp with Fairy Dust

HERE'S HOW TO turn your camp into a "Fairy land" for just one night.

While your campers are getting ready for bed, have some of your counselors set up a few spot-lights (or large flashlights) in a rather secluded area not too far away from the main lodge. Let them tie marshmallows, candy, and cookies on the trees.

Then have the counselors dress themselves to represent a king, a queen, and some fairies.

When the children are just drowsily settled in bed, call them quietly, and carefully lead them to the pre-

pared area. Have the king, queen and fairies talk with the children and give them the treats from the trees and tiny paper cups of fruit punch. Then take the children back to bed and tuck them in.

To some of the younger children, it will seem like a big wonderful dream, and you'll find them talking about it many times. Counselors too have great fun planning it and often add many of their own ideas.

—Mabel Pulliam
Gamma Phi Beta Camp
Indian Hills, Colo.

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Many Values Derived from Caring For Pets

ONE OF THE best loved activities of our younger campers is the care and feeding of pets. A most expansive amount of love is lavished upon them.

"Blackie," our Australian small horse, is the size of a Shetland pony. He has his own shelf in the Nature Hut, where his combs and brushes are kept. His harness hangs nearby. He pulls a small wagon, holding three or four campers. His uses are many and varied, and the joy one receives in caring for him is unbounded. He *needs* you, and this is important.

Then, the antics of our calf and white goat are ever novel and amusing. Learning to understand them and to see that their never lagging appetites are always satisfied allows for real growth in perception and devotion to duty.

In another area of the camp live puppies, kittens and rabbits. These pets are all there when camp opens and are ready to greet each arriving camper with a genuine need to be loved and cared for by kindly small hands and hearts.



How easy to slip from the home environment to the camp picture when one finds there the apparent need for your own special kind of love and understanding. It is easy to forget self in thinking of these small creatures who need your care and attention.

—Maude Beals Turner

Camp Kohahna, Maple City, Mich.

Join The "Horizontal Club"

MOST CHILDREN welcome a rest hour nap every once in awhile and at times it is a necessity for the younger children. Making it popular helps.

Our rest hours are quiet times spent on beds reading, writing, etc. About once a week we have a "Horizontal Club" meeting during rest hour. All campers—and staff if they wish—take their rest hour with the idea of falling asleep.

A counselor checks through all cabins and tents

several times and writes down the names of all those she finds asleep. Anyone found asleep becomes a bona fide member of the "Horizontal Club." At the close of rest hour or at the next camp assembly, these names are announced and each receives a club badge—a lollypop.

—Hermia Lechner

*Camp Echo Hill,
Clinton, N. J.*

The Play's the Thing!

YOU CAN ADD lively interest to your dramatics program at camp by encouraging campers to write their own plays.

The young playwrights use their own imagination and may call upon the dramatics counselor for help whenever they wish. We are careful to give campers advice when they request it and need it, but not to write the plays for them.

The length of plays usually ranges from three to 25 minutes, depending upon the individual author's ability.

If the author wishes to have his play presented on the camp stage, we give him the opportunity to cast and direct it. The dramatics counselor is always on hand to assist, but never to take over the actual directing.



Young playwright directs work.

The plays, when ready, are presented to a sympathetic audience.

The interest in such a project is evidenced by the fact that we had 30 plays written in a camp whose enrollment was about 130.

—Andrew L. Sim, Jr.

Camp Cobbossee, Winthrop, Maine

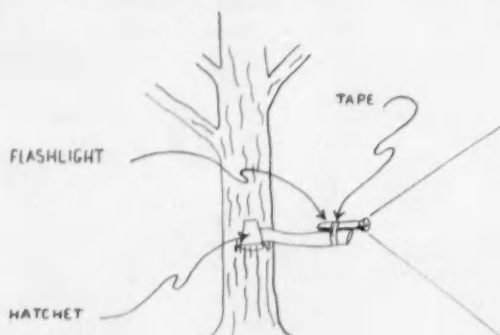
All-Camp Obstacle Race

A FINE AFTERNOON program in which every camper can take part is an "all-camp obstacle race."

Among the events we have scheduled are: fire building, wood chopping, canoe carry, canoe paddle, tent pitching, wood splitting, swimming race, foot race and pack carry. Then we always have a "surprise" event, which might be something like finding a piece of charcoal or several species of leaves or flowers.

—Charles P. Erdmann
Camp Voyageur
Ely, Minn.

Light where you Need It



AROUND A CAMPSITE at night, there are frequent jobs to be done that require that a flashlight be held at a certain position for a while.

Take your hatchet and, with the handle pointing in the direction of the needed light, sink it very slanting into the bark of a tree or crotch, in such a way as not to damage the tree. Tape your flashlight to this handle.

It comes in very handy when adjusting tent ropes or stakes or when cooking.

—G. D. Lynch

Identify Buses for Young Day Campers

WITH MANY of today's day camps being very large, and with the Federal requirement that all buses must be painted yellow, for smaller children, it is often difficult to remember what bus they came in.

To help with this, we have made large colored balls and pasted one of each color on the doors of the buses. The first day we remind every child in the bus that he should always look for the bus that has a particular color ball on the door.

—R. Fox Smith
Red Raider Camps
Shaker Heights, Ohio

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Waterfront Program Ideas

1. Teaching swimming.
2. Teaching diving.
3. Teaching life saving.
4. Teaching boating.
5. Teaching canoeing.
6. Teaching sailing.
7. Swimming meets (camp and inter-camp.)
8. Boat races.
9. Canoe races.
10. Surf-board instruction and races.
11. Sailing races.
12. Building boats, canoe, floats, surfboards (long term projects.)
13. Making oars, canoe paddles (short term craft projects.)
14. Making kick boards (each camper paints his own design on kick board.)
15. Repairing equipment.
16. Buddy system (lost bather drills.)
17. Pageants.
18. Carnivals.
19. Long distance swims (medical approval and boat and life guard escorts.)
20. Motor boat rides.
21. Boat trips.
22. Canoe trips.
23. Sailboat trips.
24. Evening dips.
25. Recreation or free swims.
26. Water polo (deep or shallow water.)
27. Water volley ball (shallow water.)
28. Water basketball (deep or shallow water.)
29. Synchronized swimming.
30. Clown diving.
31. Clown swimming.
32. Demonstrations (life saving, boating, swimming, canoeing, etc.)
33. Dry land drills on strokes and life saving.
34. Fishing trips.
35. Exploring trips.
36. Sand craft (good on cold days.)
37. Stone scaling (when no one is in swimming or on the lake.)
38. Target practice (stone throwing at No. 10 cans, No. 2 cans, etc. When no one is in swimming or on the lake.)
39. Tug of war in shallow water.
40. Water skiing.
41. Aqua-planing.
42. Fly casting practice (hookless bait.)
43. Plug casting practice (hookless plugs.)
44. Minnow catching or trapping.
45. Bait gathering (crabs, frogs, etc.)
46. Worm digging (prior to fishing trips.)
47. Demonstrations and practice in cleaning fish.
48. Fly tying and bait making (good on rainy and cold days.)
49. Fossil collecting (marine life.)

—Edward J. Slezak
University of
Michigan
Fresh Air Camp

Driftwood Store Supports Worthy Project



Wallace Forgie visits Driftwood Store
at The Joy Camps

LAST SUMMER, we conceived the idea of setting up a "driftwood store" for visitors who wished to indulge their fad and also to support a favorite interest of ours. The project was put in the care of our International Committee, with proceeds going to aid Wallace Forgie in his work at Camp Tonakela at Madras, India. All our visitors were pleased and impressed with our idea, and we netted \$34.90 for the good cause.

Many quite handsome articles were made out of

driftwood by campers and counselors. To facilitate the work, little paper-bag kits were made up, consisting of a wire brush, a ball of steel wool, pieces of sandpaper, and a small piece of oil cloth, with which to wrap the steel wool while it was being used.

Wax was furnished those who succeeded in getting to that point in their projects. Those who did not have time to finish their projects at camp took them home to work on during the winter.

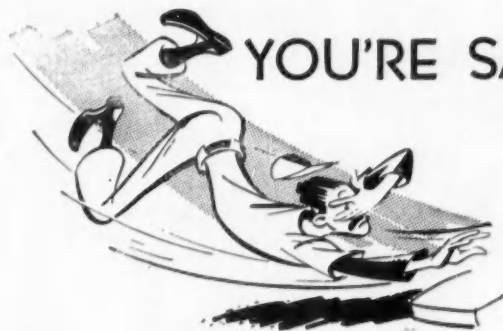
The expeditions to collect the pieces of driftwood were great fun. We made a day of it, cooking dinner beside the river, wading around looking for choice pieces, and floating them down to where cars were waiting.

—Barbara Ellen Joy

RETURNS to date on the vote relative to changes in dues and membership categories are:

1. The revised dues schedule affecting Group One, Camp Membership—\$35.00; Individual Membership—from \$5.00 to \$6.00; Business category—\$25.00: Yes—1327 No—237
2. The recommendation making the holding of a camp membership mandatory before memberships in any other classification may be held by camp personnel: Yes—1210 No—345

The trend indicates that members are in favor of both proposals. If the vote is still in favor after all ballots are counted, changes will go into effect September 1, 1955.



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King Neptune Comes to Camp



EVEN MOST "landlubbers" know that it is customary for persons aboard ship crossing the equator for the first time to be "initiated" into "King Neptune's Court." Why not try this at your own waterfront or outdoor pool? The event gives color to your aquatic program; all levels of swimming ability participate; everybody wins.

King Neptune and his court take charge of the occasion. The King's costume consists of a mop-head for a beard; a paper crown, the gaudier the better; a sheet or bedspread for the King's robe; a cardboard spear or trident for his scepter. A lifeguard tower makes an excellent waterfront throne.

King Neptune is attended by his major-domo, Davy Jones, whose badge of office is a large megaphone with which he summons the subjects. His costume may be made from torn shirts, ripped pants, a pirate hat, a patch over one eye, and blacked out teeth.

The King's favorite on some occasions is a mermaid. When she appears she carries a toy umbrella to keep

the sun off her scales. In her other hand she carries a fan which she uses feverishly. Other attendants of the court are turtles (wearing sandwich boards front and back, painted to look like turtle shells) and frogs with frog-men feet and masks.

In order to become "initiated" into "King Neptune's Court," the camper is called by Davy Jones' megaphone to appear before "His Highness," who instructs him in his feat. Davy Jones repeats the King's instructions with his megaphone so that the camp audience can hear. The camper may have to: bail out a boat with a cup; walk the plank blindfolded; engage in a plastic water-bag duel; do a comic dive; engage in a tug of war; or cross the swim area with a lighted candle. Many different feats are possible and should be suited to the capabilities of the individual campers.

All pleasing performances merit applause and are awarded the "King Neptune's Court Certificate," a nice souvenir of your camp and a happy day at the waterfront. Since everybody wins, this is always a most popular event. The ceremony can be made simple or elaborate and is suitable for boys or girls, any age.

Artist Harve Stein has designed an attractive and inexpensive certificate. For a free sample address your request to: Stone Ledge Publications, Noank, Conn.

—Roth Holtz

YMCA, Elmhurst, Ill.

Build Something Permanent

EACH SUMMER, our senior campers build something that will be of permanent value to the camp. Over the years they have done steps, a Sauna (Finnish bath,) four outdoor fireplaces, three carved signs, one at our entrance and two over buildings.

The past summer, they made a barbecue pit, 8 x 4 feet, with four steel posts on each side and spikes at different heights to hold the cross poles. They barbecued 21 chickens at one time and fed 90 people at a barbecue chicken-corn roast.

—Mary Farnum

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Meaningful Sunday Vespers

OUR SUNDAY NIGHT vesper services which we have developed over the years have come to be very meaningful. In our four-week camp for boys, followed by a similar experience for girls, we talk about the candle light service on the first three Sunday nights, to prepare our campers and counselors for the experience.

Then, on the fourth or last Sunday, we plan a serious and sincere type of vesper service in harmony with the religious teachings of all creeds, but make it quite a personal matter between the camper, counselor, staff member and his God.

We have music by our camp choir, short talks by our counselors or CIT's, after which the director tells the story. This is followed by the lighting of the candles.

Each person takes a candle, wends his way quietly in single file to an area where we form a circle of friendship, sing a closing hymn, and have taps. From here, each person goes to his bunk thoughtfully, quietly, seriously. No one speaks, except in case of illness, until Reveille next morning.

Each camper is encouraged to make a resolution that will make him more thoughtful, more considerate of others, and more determined to live up to his best. During the service we repeat the following lines and then again at home on Christmas Eve before going to

bed, we re-light our candle, and again with our family, or by ourselves, repeat this poem:

"As we light our candles we share our dreams;
With each new flame new vision gleams;
And in the purifying light
Our spirits reach a fairer height;
And in our hearts we breathe a prayer
God bless our campers everywhere."

We have more letters from older campers and parents remarking on the worth-whileness of this vesper service than any other part of our program.

—Oscar Elwell
YMCA Camp Takodah
Richmond, N. H.

Sing Along the Way

A SINGING CAMP is a happy camp, and a day camp is not excluded from this statement.

Children can easily be taught camp songs in the buses, which the entire camp can sing throughout the day. In addition, buses might compete with each other for the best singing, the funniest song, the one with the most effective motions, or possibly the most original one.

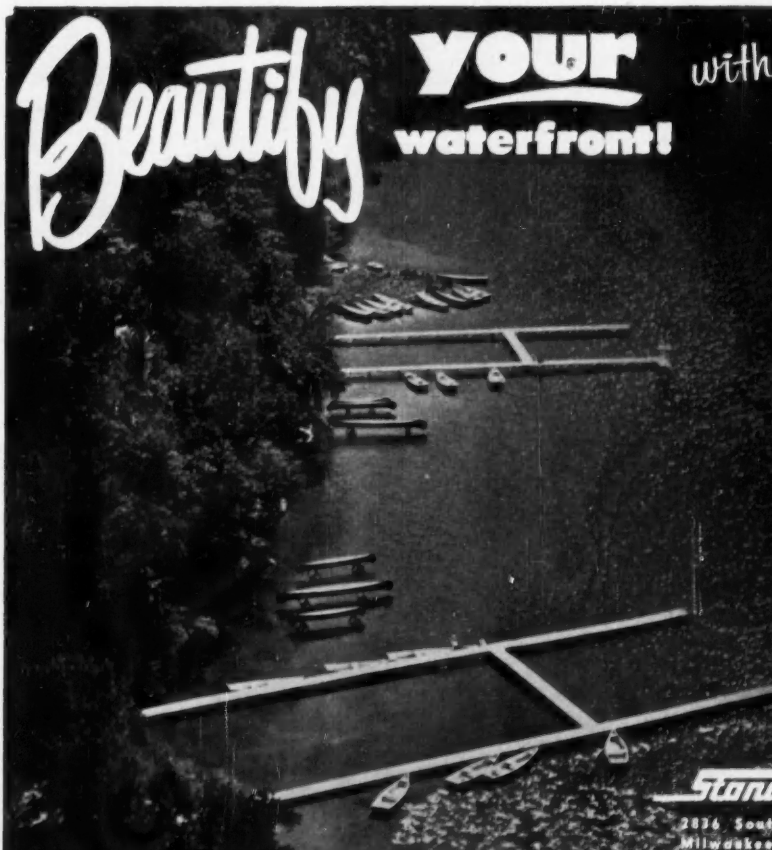
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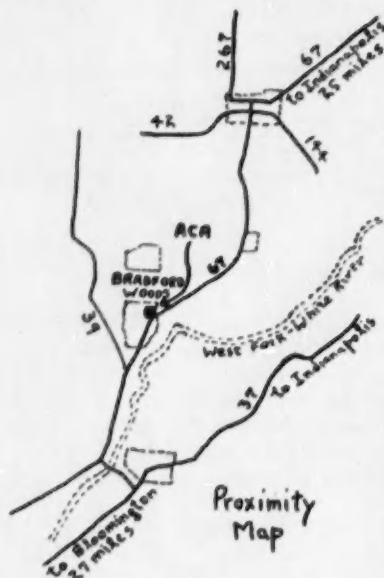
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tion. Our new ACA Center in a camping environment will be truly our own—made possible through the contributions, help and interest of ACA members and other supporters of organized camping.

Reasons for Bradford Woods

After two years of exploring various locations in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan and Indiana, our Headquarters Relocation Committee made this final selection. Why Bradford Woods? It is centrally located in the United States in general and in relation to a number of strong Sections of ACA. It provides a natural environment in keeping with camping.

Workshop facilities and a variety of camp operations are available. Organizations, Colleges, Universities, Foundations interested in the progress of Organized Camping are in the general area.

Bradford Woods is a tract of woods perpetually dedicated to camping and out-door education. It is owned by the Riley Memorial Associations and Indiana University, with a stipulation that the land can never be sold nor used for developments contrary to its purpose. It is 25 miles south of Indianapolis

(18 miles from the airport,) 27 miles north of Bloomington (where the University is located,) on a 4-lane U.S. Highway.

Bradford Manor is available for housing workshop groups of up to 50. The authorities of Bradford Woods have signified their willingness to grant a 99 year lease on 10-15 acres of our choice (among several possible building sites) at \$1.00 per year for building an ACA National Headquarters. This seems to provide an ideal answer to the question of location.

Our Present Needs

To properly house our present needs for service to members, at least 3,000 square feet of floor space is required. Likewise, certain equipment and facilities are needed. Besides general and private office space for the present and expanded staff, besides work and storage rooms, we need a library room large enough to house camping literature for general and research purposes and to be used as a conference room for Board and other meetings. This National Library of camping can become one of the rich and unique new resources of ACA.

The area on which our new home is to be constructed must be of sufficient size to permit expansion, with the possibility of other buildings being added as our future need may dictate.

More than a Building

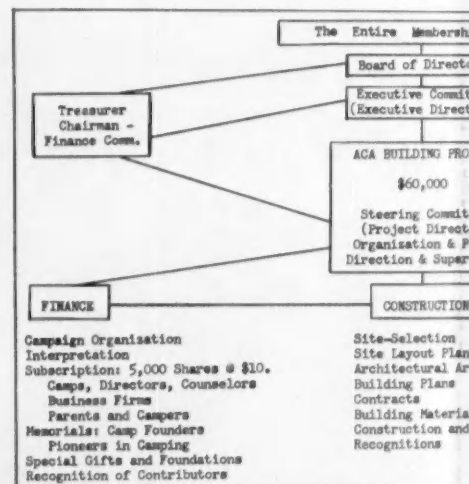
Our new ACA Center in Bradford Woods will be more than a building—more than a modern workshop needed for the growing services of the Association. It will be a symbol of our own aspirations as camp people and of the importance we attach to our calling.

The need for the new Center is obvious. When the ACA moved its headquarters to Chicago in 1942, and began to increase its services to its members and to the camping field, it took up a burden which has grown steadily with the years.

Our present offices in a metropolitan office building are bulging at the seams. They are far too small for the present level of activity, to say nothing of the future when we will expand both service and staff.

A National

By Ray E.
Building Project



Our Potential

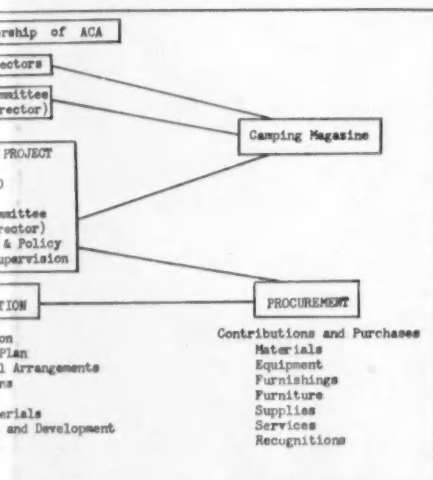
The ACA is rich as an organization for service—functioning through its National and Regional Conventions, Annual Workshops, Section meetings, Camping Magazine and National Committees.

The ACA is strong enough and sufficiently endowed with leadership in the camping field to deserve and to be able to have a national headquarters of our own, built the way we want it, where we want it. Camping properties are reported to total \$350,000,000 in value at the

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E. Bassett
Project Director



present time and are increasing every year.

Such a backlog of "vested interests" plus the enthusiasm of those engaged in camping as laymen or professionals is sufficient to provide funds for a moderate building development of our own without waiting for someone to give it to us. In order to keep its leadership in the field of camping, ACA must move ahead with boldness and confidence; and a permanent home, a national shrine of camping, will give us greater unity and stability.

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Steering Committee

The Steering Committee who will guide the building program is as follows: Hugh D. Allen, Chairman; Ray E. Bassett, Project Director; Elmer F. Ott, Finance; Reynold E. Carlson, Construction; Victor L. Alm, Procurement; and Ted Cavins, Sidney Geal, Mrs. Ada Hicks, Armin F. Luehrs, Herbert Sweet and Herbert Twining.

Financing the Program

The generous response from Section Treasuries to start our Building Fund has been most gratifying. As of the dead-line date of going to press on May 12, 17 Sections have responded with a total of \$9,025 as follows:

Indiana, \$700; Iowa, \$150; Wisconsin, \$1,000; Minnesota \$1,000; Colorado \$100; Lake Erie \$200; Chicago \$1,000; Missouri Valley, \$500; Southwest Texas, \$250; Michigan, \$1,000; Southeast Texas, \$100; New York \$1,200; Tri-State, \$100; Capitol \$200; Inland Empire, \$25; So. California, \$500; and New England, \$1,000.

It is expected that many other Sections will be making their "nest egg" contributions before the camping season gets under way. Other miscellaneous contributions prior to the launching of the campaign have given us an added amount of \$1,175. Therefore, as of May 12, \$10,200 has been contributed and the campaign for a minimum of \$60,000 is now under way.

Investment-gift shares at \$10

each are being offered. It is our goal to sell 5,000 such shares before the end of 1955.

The camping season campaign is leading off the concentrated effort. Camps are requested to take on a responsibility of contributing or selling a block of shares. Contributions will come from camp directors and owners, staff personnel, campers, former campers, parents of campers or former campers, patrons, business firms, special givers, foundations, memorials and others interested in camping.

From present expression, the sentiment seems to indicate the following self-imposed responsibility for subscription to shares at \$10 each:

Sustaining, Contributing, and Camp I members—10 or more shares
Camp II members—4 or more shares
Camp III and Executive members—2 or more shares
Individual members—1 or more shares

Memorials and foundation gifts might run from \$100 to \$1,000 or more. It is hoped that the contributor will determine his contribution on the basis of the potential benefit which he would like to see forthcoming to the camping field generally, from such a united action.

Subscription blanks are being mailed to all member camps. If you wish, you may cut out the one shown here and mail it in with your contribution in investment-gift shares.

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Program Underway

To help plan a convention Program which will assure items of interest for all folks and organizations, Program Chairman John Stone has released a questionnaire to all members of ACA asking for their frank comments and suggestions about program features and meetings. Hundreds of these helpful questionnaires have been returned and more are coming in every day.

Douglas Salisbury, Exhibits Chairman, has been allocated some choice space on the Ballroom floor of the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel for Camping Magazine, June, 1955

the Commercial exhibits. Many organizations interested in Camps and Camping have already signed up for their space and interest in this important phase of the meeting is mounting rapidly.

Hospitality Chairman, Mrs. Ken Smith, is fairly bubbling over with her committee's plans for free time activities and entertainment.

Detroit is ideally suited for this meeting of the ACA . . . for it has a variety of activities and attractions certain to appeal to every person attending.

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Publicity Chairman, L. Robert Kilmer, has promised to report details of this important program as the activities of the Convention are finalized. Additional material will also be released through the Section Newsletters as it becomes available.

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Standards Committee Looks Forward To Continued Progress in 1955 Season

THIS IS the summer! All camps desiring membership these past two years will have been visited. Such is the pledge of 44 sectional A.C.A. Standards Committee Chairmen and the National Standards Committee.

Last year more than 1,000 camps asking for membership were visited, were aided in filling out with visitors their Report of Practices Forms, and were assigned membership classification. Those who, through no fault of their own, were not visited are now on the list for this summer. Also, new applications for membership are being accepted. This is the summer to complete the first cycle of meeting ACA standards for membership.

Over 600 friendly camp visitors dropped in on the 1,000 camps. Their report, worked out with the camp director, was evaluated by the Section Standards Committee and reported to the Section membership

committee and the National ACA.

Full member camps are now displaying the ACA seal and looking forward to the 1956 ACA directory, which will list camp members only.

Those camps which failed to meet minimum score on Report of Practices form are now working with Sectional Standards Committees to upgrade their problem areas. They are looking forward to re-evaluation.

Member camps are not resting on their achievements. They too are looking over their reports, drawing up concrete plans to strengthen their weaknesses and setting goals beyond minimum standards.

This is the spirit of the American Camping Association:

(a) Members build their own set of standards, many beyond their present ability to reach.

(b) Members discipline themselves by administering their own evaluation of practices for membership, rather than waiting for outside law groups.

(c) Members cooperate in helping each other through local friendly Sections, to reach their Standards.

This is Democracy in action! Congratulations, ACA Camp Members!

Robert Tully
ACA Standards Committee



Pictured at the Region 7, Pacific Camping Federation Convention at Asilomar, Calif., are Dr. Norman Miller, former ACA Research Chairman, with Matt Finn of Sacket Sporting Goods Co.

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Successful Workshops and Conferences Featured at Final Spring Section Meetings

Region 2

The First Annual "Camping Fair" of the New York Section was held in late May at Camp Bliss, the new camp of the Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund at Fishkill, N. Y.

About 135 members spent the two-day weekend together in the camp setting, participating in a real camp program. Tours and demon-

strations in the areas of camp site planning, nature study, nutrition and menu planning and campcraft were all led by qualified experts.

Election results of the Section have recently been announced. New president is John H. Dreasen, Supervisor of Camping of the Children's Aid Society.



John H. Dreasen

Thomas Wiener of Camp Kennebec will be vice president in charge of the office. Howard Patton, Boy Scouts of America, continues as vice-president in charge of committees. Ralph Roehm, YMCA, and Catherine Gordon, Girl Scouts, remain as treasurer and secretary respectfully.

Elected to the Board of Directors for three year terms were: Herman Baar, Camp Wenonah, Helen Herz Cohen, Camp Walden, Charlotte Nash, Naurauschaun, Edward Wack, Androscoggin, Jr., Charlotte Andress, Federation of Protestant Welfare, Betty Huff, Pioneer Youth Camp, and Alice Stevens, Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund.

Eastern Pennsylvania Camping Assoc. held its annual dinner meeting on May 21 at the Poor Richard Club in Philadelphia.

Guests received a good send-off to their 1955 season through a stimulating and engaging talk by Dr. Roma Gans of Columbia University. Plans for next year's goals and projects for the Section were discussed briefly.



New officers for the '55-'56 season were installed at the meeting. Those who will serve are: Thomas G. Cairns, president; Leonard Ferguson, vice president; Jack Stumpf, secretary; and Mrs. Lester Stepacher, treasurer.

Discussing the Spring Conference of the St. Louis Section are, front, left to right: Mrs. Ruth Becker, Camp O-Tahn-Agon, Dorothy Jean Kerr, Camp Miniwanca; rear, left

to right, Leslie Lyon, Minne-Wonka Lodge, Fred Rogers, ACA vice president and resource person for the meeting, of Camp Lincoln, and Gene Altman, Camp Thunderbird.

Successful Workshops

The Annual Banquet of New Jersey Section was held on May 17 in Newark. Speaker of the evening was Dr. George C. Boone, Assistant Superintendent, Children's Bureau, Passaic, N. J.

Region 3

The Lake Erie Section has been busy in many areas of camping, and members are kept well informed through their *LES News* edited effectively by Mrs. Miriam Friedman.

The Section has made arrangements for Standards Visitation again in 1955. Two sessions for training the 30 volunteer visitors have already been held.

Section Day Camp Chairman, Eleanor Bonham, has had two meetings with day camp directors for the purpose of studying the Desirable Day Camp Standards, to present suggestions at the Day Camp Workshop this fall.

The Section's Annual Meeting was held on May 10 at the Central YMCA in Cleveland. At the final meeting of the season, Abbie Graham, known nationwide for her many years of service in the camping field, spoke on "The Intangibles in Camping."

Region 5

Extremely successful, from all reports, was the Camp Counseling course conducted this spring by the St. Louis Section. It was planned by the Section's Leadership Training Committee, Marie Shaver, Chairman.

The course included six sessions, with 51 people registered. Content included theory, techniques and skills. Annabeth Brandle was coordinator for the course, with leadership furnished by members of the Section.

Fred V. Rogers, national vice-president of ACA and director of Camp Lincoln, was the principal resource person at the annual Spring Conference Section on the theme: "Leadership growth through camping." His topic for the session with camp directors and administrators was "Better Camping Through Better Administration."

The Section has already paved the way for the 1957 Region 5 AC

A Convention which will be held in St. Louis in March of that year. Howard Hollenbeck, Chairman, has lined up able co-workers to head up committees.

Dr. Edward Greenwood of the Menninger Clinic was keynote speaker and discussion leader for the successful Spring Institute held by the Wisconsin Section at the end of April.

Other leaders of the conference, held at College Camp, included Rev. Paul Henniges, who discussed

the spiritual angle at camp; Carl Beeninghaus, naturalist and outdoor philosopher; Elroy Bersch, song leader; and Tom Bernard, outdoor camping expert.

The May meeting of the Minnesota Section was held at the YWCA in Minneapolis.

Speaker for the evening was Elmer Ott, former ACA president, and for many years Associate Secretary of the North Central Area YMCA and Director of Camp Manitowish at Boulder Junction, Wis.

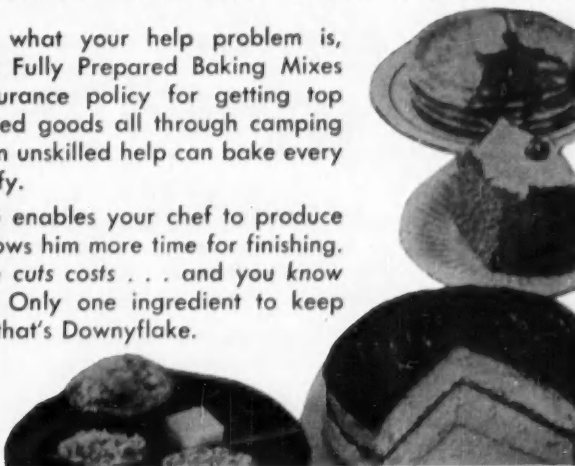
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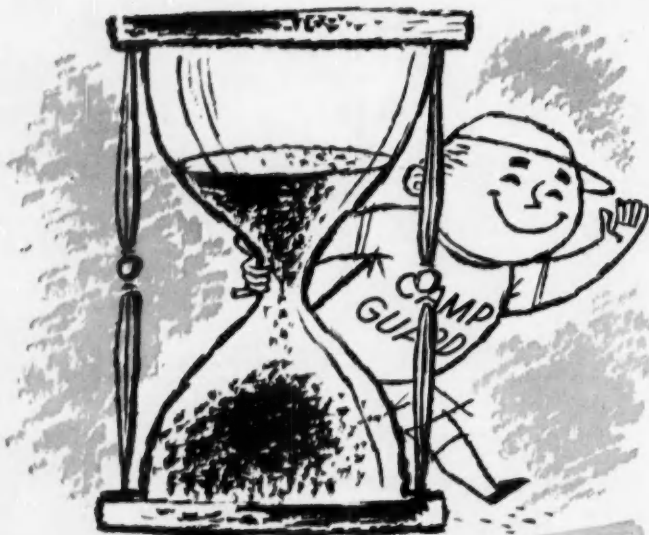
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**Members to Vote on
Revised Dues Allocation**

AT THE ACA Board of Directors meeting in Nashville in March, consideration was given to the question of allocation of dues to National and Section treasuries.

In order to encourage Sections to promote a greater number of Sustaining and Contributing memberships and to help Section Treasuries, the Board voted to make the division of dues in those two categories on a 50-50 basis. The division at present is on a 75-25 and 70-30 basis, respectfully, with the larger portion going to National.

Before the above can go into effect, approval will have to be voted by the membership. This vote will take place next December in conjunction with the election of National Officers.

**Church Leaders
Receive Camp Training**

WINONA LAKE School of Theology of Winona Lake, Indiana, offers as part of its curriculum courses in the field of Camp Administration. The courses include a combination of both the theory and practice of camping, and are especially designed to improve the leadership and standards of religious camps across the country.

The plan is the creation of President John Huffman, who felt that our young ministers and other religious youth workers, who, for the main part operate our church sponsored camps, needed training to develop church camps that would not be purely recreational camps on the one hand or glorified Bible conferences on the other.

The summer course combines the theoretical with the practical. Students have intensive classroom training, as well as on-the-spot instruction at Bethany Camp. Ten hours graduate credit are given on successful completion of the course.

—Milford F. Henkel
Sewickley, Pa.

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Camps Asked to "Help the Hungry"

MEALS FOR MILLIONS, a plan to enable campers to help less fortunate children in other areas of the world, is enlisting the support of camp directors for the project. It is hoped that directors will encourage their campers to "help the hungry" by contributing their pennies to furnish food for children in Germany, India, Mexico, Korea, Pakistan, other overseas areas, and among the Navaho Indians in America.

Full information on this plan, to help foster international understanding among campers, may be obtained by writing Meals for Millions Foundation, Inc., 115 West 7 St., Los Angeles 14, Calif.

Congratulations to Reynold Carlson, former ACA President, who has been awarded the "Special Recognition for Outstanding Service to Recreation in Indiana." Rey received the award at the Governor's Conference on Recreation in Indianapolis on April 18.

Newsy Camp Photos Sought by Denim Council

FREE, NATION-WIDE consumer publicity is available to all camp directors who can furnish good news photographs of children in their camps engaged in newsworthy activities.

This service is offered by The Denim Council, a newly-organized cotton textile industry organization, now engaged in a national public relations campaign for blue denim and blue jeans. The campaign is institutional in scope, and does not imply or involve endorsement by the camp of any product. The Denim Council is publicizing nationally the activities of the nation's finest children (through teenage) neatly dressed in blue jeans. These activities must, of course, be outstanding and newsworthy, and

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pictures should be action photographs.

Camp directors are asked to submit such pictures, along with complete information about each photograph. This information should include: name and location of camp; camp director's name; name, nickname, age and home address of child or children pictured; as well as complete details about the activity photographed.

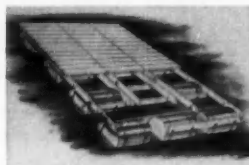
Newsworthy activities might include such things as civic or community-conscious drives that camp-

ers are aiding; outstanding examples of ingenuity, bravery or sportsmanship; or campers who have some highly unusual hobby or pet with them at camp.

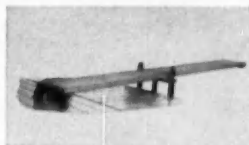
The activity and the camper and camp (not the blue jeans) will be publicized if satisfactory, through national magazines and wire services. Send pictures and information, or write for further information, to: Miss Jessica Bradt, Public Relations Director, The Denim Council, 375 Fifth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.



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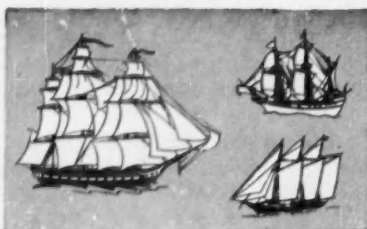


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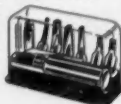
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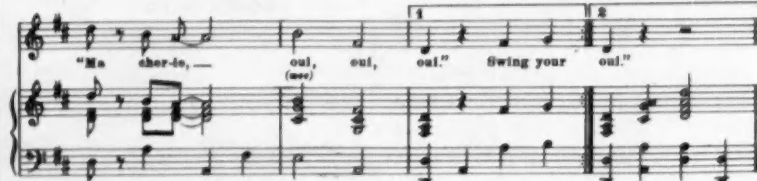
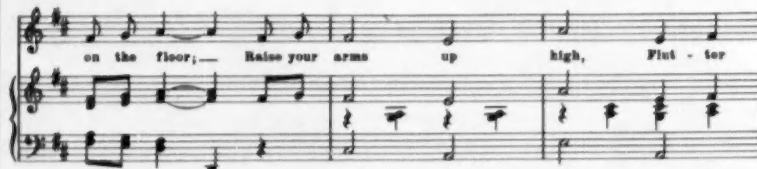
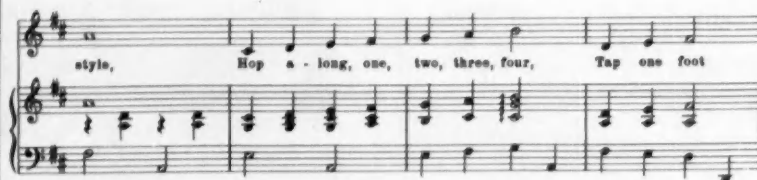
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fore and aft, grasping one gunwhale in each hand, and standing up, thus lifting the canoe out of the water, upside down.

As soon as the canoe is drained, it is flipped over so it rests on the water, almost bone dry. This same technique can be used in deep wa-

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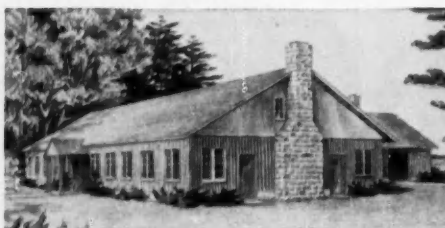
The canoe must be high enough when it is turned so that the bottom gunwhale does not catch water. But even if this should happen, the amount of water will probably be small enough to enable the canoeist to climb in and paddle back to shore safely.

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Copies are available by checking number C-5513 on coupon.

King-size Calendar

Continental Casualty Company's 1955 Camp Planning Calendar is available free to camp directors for listing special camp events and regular camp program features.

The calendar covers the full three summer months, with a good size box for each date, to accommodate several items. An extra column provides space for listing times and places for special events.

The calendar comes in heavy stock and is suitable for posting. For your copy, check C-5514.

Handy Utility Lantern

Burgess Battery Company's new utility lantern will find many uses around camp, or on trips. Called the "Radar-Lite," it has been designed with great staying power, yet simplicity and lightness for convenience.

The new model measures four by five inches, is of a unique battery-and-case design, and has an adjustable sealed beam spotlight which can be tilted up or down.

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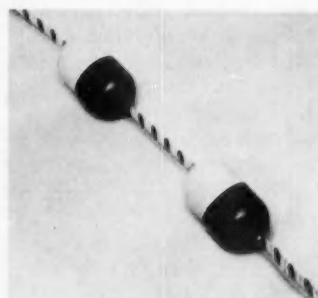
Carnation's new instant milk can help solve the milk problem on hiking and canoe trips this summer.

The "magic crystals" of non-fat dry milk come in a package with a simple pouring spout, and are said to provide all the B-vitamins, phosphorus and calcium of fresh whole milk.

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Plastic Bobbers for Waterfront

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Menus feature Bananas

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tity. Menus cover breads, salads, pies, cakes, sauces and toppings, all featuring bananas.

It is planned to have the present set supplemented from time to time.

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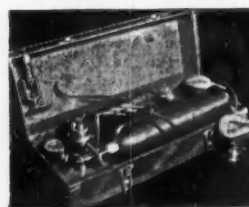
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Skits of Indian legends completed the activities, after which Prairie Punch (fruit punch) and oatmeal cookies were served.

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can and a stick was then forced
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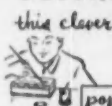
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